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BRASS KNOB MISSION 3130  
4 NOVEMBER 1962



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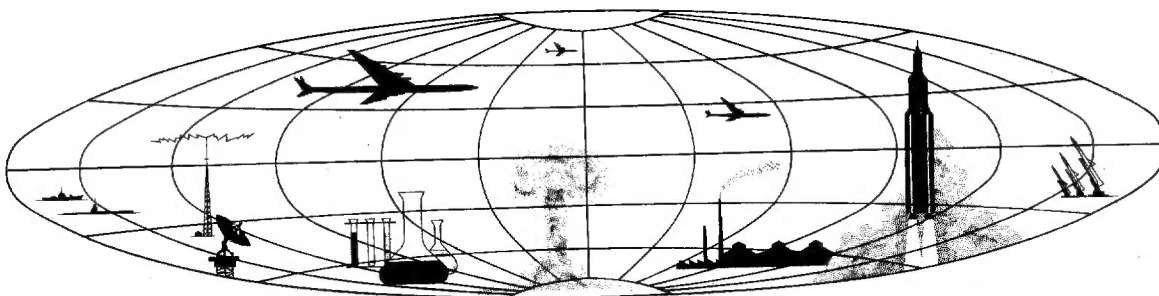


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IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY  
ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB  
MISSION 3130, 4 NOVEMBER 1962 --

-MISSILES-

SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2 2239N 07951W

FOUR LAUNCH POSITIONS OBSERVED BUT SMALL SCALE AND  
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE DETAILED INTERPRETATION.  
THE LAST OF THE 6 MISSILE-READY TENTS APPEARS TO HAVE  
BEEN DISMANTLED AND REMOVED.

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LA SIERRA CRUISE MISSILE SITE 2156N 08019W

3.5 NM SW OF LA SIERRA.

A NEWLY IDENTIFIED CRUISE MISSILE SITE HAS BEEN  
IDENTIFIED 3.5 NM SW OF LA SIERRA AT 21-56-48N  
080-19-30W.

THE SITE APPEARS OPERATIONAL AND CONTAINS THE  
SAME ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS AS THOSE FOUND AT THE BANES  
SITE. THE SITE CONSISTS OF 2 UNREVETTED CANVAS-  
COVERED LAUNCHERS WITH A CANVAS-COVERED TRANSPORTER  
IMMEDIATELY TO THE AFT END OF EACH LAUNCHER. EACH  
LAUNCHER HAS AN ASSOCIATED PROBABLE CONTROL POSITION  
CONNECTED BY CABLE. THE LAUNCHERS ARE LOCATED IN A  
SHALLOW DEPRESSION ABOUT 135 FT ABOVE SEA LEVEL AND  
ARE ORIENTED AT APPROXIMATELY 270 DEGREES. ALL  
FACILITIES ARE CONCEALED BY CANVAS OR NETTING. ON  
HIGH GROUND TO THE REAR ARE 2 UNIDENTIFIED RADARS  
CONNECTED BY CABLE TO THE CONTROL POSITION, A VERY  
TALL TRUCK-MOUNTED PROBABLE ANTENNA, A POSSIBLE  
CAMOUFLAGED GENERATOR, 2 NETTED VEHICLE REVETMENTS,  
ONE CONTAINING A VAN, AND 5 TENTS. APPROXIMATELY 900  
FT WEST OF THE LAUNCHERS IS A SPARSELY WOODED AREA  
CONTAINING AT LEAST 4 PROBABLE ARCHED-ROOFED CRATES, 3  
TRUCKS, AND A TENT. SEVERAL UNIDENTIFIED ITEMS ARE  
CONCEALED ALONG A TREE LINE NORTH OF THE SITE. A 3-

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25X1D GUN LIGHT AAA POSITION IS LOCATED IN THE VICINITY.

CABANAS SAM SITE 2006N 07520W

LAUNCH SITE DETAIL OBSCURED BY HAZE.  
7 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND  
APPROXIMATELY 15 OTHER VEHICLES.

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CIEGO DE AVILA SAM SITE 2142N 07850W

SITE UNREVIEWED.  
5 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILES ON LAUNCHERS, ONE MISSILE  
TRANSPORTER NEAR LAUNCH POSITION, 7 CANVAS-COVERED  
TRANSPORTERS IN HOLD POSITIONS, AND APPROXIMATELY 10  
ADDITIONAL VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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LA COLOMA SAM SITE 2218N 08332W

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NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE

25X1D

MANZANILLO SAM SITE 2018N 07706W

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NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE  
6 LAUNCH POSITIONS UNREVIEWED - 3 MISSILES ON  
LAUNCHERS, 4 VANS WITH FRUIT SET IN CENTRAL GUIDANCE  
AREA, 7 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 6 LARGE AND 10 SMALL  
TENTS, AND APPROXIMATELY 7 VEHICLES.

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SANCTI SPIRITUS SAM SITE 2147N 07929W

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NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE  
6 MISSILES ON LAUNCHERS, 7 MISSILES IN HOLD POSITIONS.  
NO EVIDENCE OF CAMOUFLAGE.

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SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD SAM SITE 2205N 08409W

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NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

PINAR DEL RIO SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2221N 08339W

APPROXIMATELY 15 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS NOTED.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES SINCE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2003N 07553W

APPROXIMATELY 27 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS. OTHER  
EQUIPMENT THROUGHOUT THE AREA APPEARS ESSENTIALLY THE  
SAME AS ON [REDACTED] SCATTERED CLOUDS AND HAZE  
PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD TO LA COLOMA HIGHWAY 2205N 08409W

NO MOVEMENT OF MISSILES OR MISSILE-ASSOCIATED  
EQUIPMENT.  
NO BEAGLE (IL-28) SHIPPING CRATES NOTED.

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[REDACTED]

MANZANILLO TO GUANTANAMO CITY HIGHWAY 2020N 07707W

NO MISSILES OR MISSILE-ASSOCIATED VEHICLES OBSERVED ON  
THAT PORTION OF HIGHWAY NOT COVERED BY CLOUDS.

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SAGUA LA GRANDE TO CIENFUEGOS HIGHWAY 2243N 08004W

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NO MISSILE OR MISSILE-ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT  
OBSERVED ON HIGHWAY FROM CIENFUEGOS TO SANTA CLARA.  
OBLIQUITY AND CLOUDS PRECLUDE A READOUT OF THE HIGHWAY  
FROM SANTA CLARA TO SAGUA LA GRANDE.

[REDACTED]

SAGUA LA GRANDE TO MATANZAS HIGHWAY 2243N 08004W

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NO MISSILE-ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT OR MILITARY CONVOYS  
OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

SANTA CLARA TO HAVANA HIGHWAY 2224N 07958W

25X1D

NO CONVOYS OR MISSILE-ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

--AIRFIELDS--

LOS CANOS AIRFIELD 2004N 07509W

25X1D

AIRCRAFT -- NONE.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN DEFENSES OR FACILITIES  
SINCE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD 2206N 08409W

25X1D

AIRCRAFT -- TOTAL OF 9, INCLUDING 8 BEAGLE (IL-28)  
AND ONE MASCOT (UIL-28). ONE BEAGLE AND ONE MASCOT  
ARE OPERATIONAL. 5 BEAGLE ARE IN FINAL STAGES OF  
ASSEMBLY AND 2 ARE IN INITIAL STAGES OF ASSEMBLY.  
FUSELAGE CRATES -- TOTAL OF 20, INCLUDING ONE PROBABLE  
FUSELAGE CRATE. ABOVE ITEMS WERE OBSERVED ON LARGELY  
CLOUD-FREE PHOTOGRAPHY.

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-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

ARTEMISA, MILITARY CAMP 2251N 08248W

25X1D FIVE TENTS OBSERVED. CLOUD COVER PRECLUDES FURTHER  
INTERPRETATION.

CASILDA, MISSILE EQUIPMENT AREA 2146N 07958W

25X1D A MILITARY STORAGE AREA APPROXIMATELY 1.8 NM  
NNE OF CASILDA PORT CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING  
EQUIPMENT -- 12 PROBABLE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS,  
17 PROBABLE FUEL-TANK TRAILERS, 6 LARGE TENTS,  
APPROXIMATELY 30 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, AND  
6 FIELD ARTILLERY POSITIONS WITH PERSONNEL  
TRENCHES. OBLIQUITY PREVENTS FURTHER IDENTIFICATION  
OF THE EQUIPMENT.

GUANTANAMO AREA 1 2005N 07523W

25X1D NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN  
CLEAR PORTIONS OF THE AREA.

GUANTANAMO AREA 2 1950N 07740W

25X1D NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN CLEAR PORTIONS OF  
THE AREA.

MANICARAGUA AREA, STORAGE AREA 2206N 07958W

2.4 NM SOUTH OF MANICARAGUA.  
A DOUBLE-FENCED AREA CONTAINING THE FOLLOWING --  
ONE DRIVE-THROUGH BUNKER SIMILAR TO THOSE AT  
MANAGUA, 7 STORAGE BUNKERS, ONE EARTH-COVERED

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25X1D BUILDING, 2 PARTIALLY REVETTED BUILDINGS UNDER  
CONSTRUCTION, ONE REVETTED BUILDING, AND ONE  
DRIVE-IN BUILDING.

REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2227N 07934W

25X1D CAMP APPEARS TO BE ACTIVE. TENTS PROBABLY IN PLACE.  
PROBABLE CANVAS-COVERED VEHICLES OBSERVED IN PARKING  
AREA.  
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

-PORTS-

BARACOA PORT 2021N 07430W

25X1D VESSELS -- APPROXIMATELY 12 FISHING VESSELS.  
POSSIBLE HARBOR NET EXTENDING EAST FROM EL TIBARAON.  
NEW BUILDING AREA ON NORTH SIDE OF BAHIA DE BARACOA.  
APPROXIMATELY 100 SMALL STRUCTURES, AND SEVERAL LARGE  
BUILDINGS UNDER CONSTRUCTION. NO OTHER CHANGE IN  
FACILITIES SINCE

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CASILDA PORT 2145N 07959W

25X1D VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER AT QUAY,  
AND LARGE FREIGHTER ANCHORED JUST EAST OF HARBOR  
ENTRANCE.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN PORT FACILITIES  
APPROXIMATELY 50 VEHICLES ON DOCK.

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CIENFUEGOS PORT 2209N 08027W

25X1D VESSELS -- 2 FREIGHTERS, ONE TANKER, ONE PATROL CRAFT,  
2 PT BOATS, ONE POSSIBLE GUNBOAT, AND NUMEROUS SMALL  
CRAFT IN HARBOR.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES SINCE

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CORTES PORT 2203N 08400W

VESSELS -- NONE OBSERVED.  
NO EVIDENCE OF NEW CONSTRUCTION OR MILITARY ACTIVITY  
NOTED.  
SEVERAL SHORT TRENCH SYSTEMS PARALLEL THE COAST 6.5 NM  
NNE OF THE PORT.

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GUAYABAL PORT 2041N 07737W

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VESSELS -- NONE DISCERNIBLE.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE

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HAVANA PORT 2308N 08221W

25X1D

VESSELS -- AT LEAST 29 MERCHANT VESSELS OBSERVED.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES SINCE EARLY

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JURAGUA PORT 2208N 08031W

25X1D

VESSELS -- NONE.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES SINCE

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LA COLOMA PORT 2214N 08334W

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VESSELS -- NUMEROUS SMALL CRAFT IN HARBOR.  
NO CHANGE IN FACILITIES SINCE

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MANZANILLO PORT 2021N 07707W

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VESSELS -- AT LEAST 10 BARGES.  
NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN FACILITIES SINCE EARLY

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--LANDING BEACHES--

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PLAYA YATERITAS, LANDING BEACH 1958N 07457W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE

--MISCELLANEOUS--

LA ROSITA AREA, STORAGE SITE U/C 2208N 08004W

25X1D

ENTIRE AREA, INCLUDING FABRICATION--TYPE PLANT,  
ENCLOSED BY SINGLE FENCE. CONSTRUCTION  
CONTINUES - FUNCTION UNDETERMINED.  
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES SINCE

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SANTA CECILIA, VEHICLE CONCENTRATION 2008N 07508E

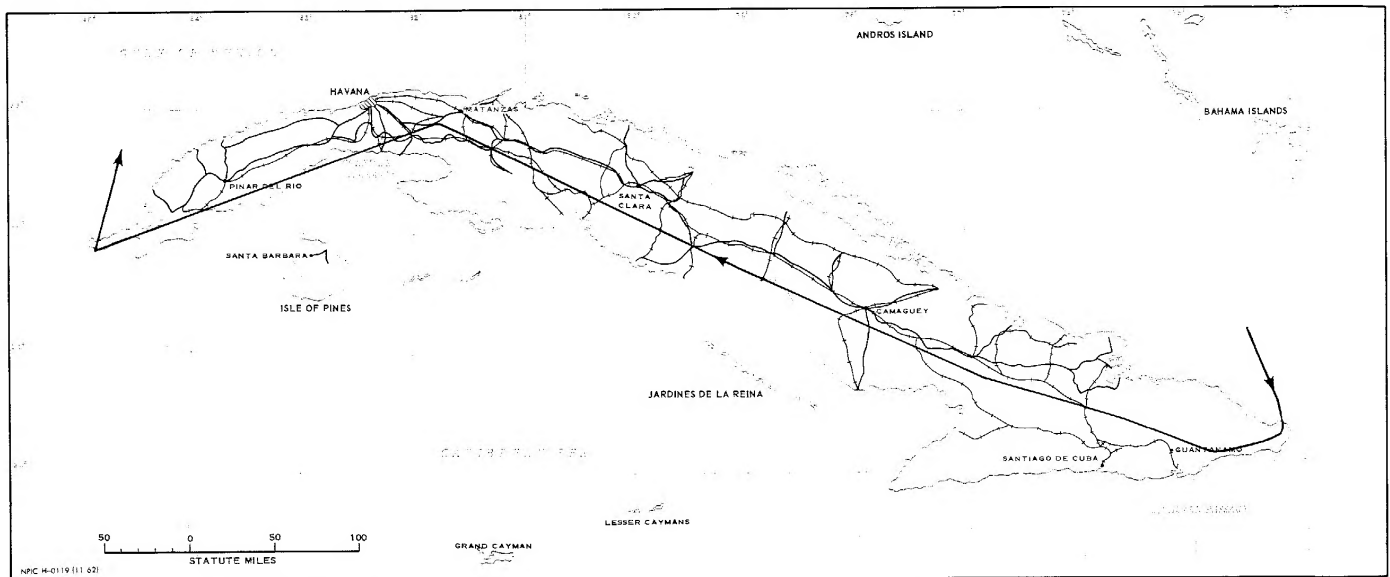
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VEHICLES PREVIOUSLY REPORTED IN WAREHOUSE AREA NOT  
DISCERNIBLE.

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THERE ARE NO OTHER SIGNIFICANT ITEMS TO REPORT.

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